

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

**Call to Order:** Chairman Bill McChesney, on February 2, 2009 at 8:30 A.M., in Room 317-B Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Bill McChesney, Chairman (D)  
Sen. Rick Laible, Vice Chairman (R)  
Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen (D)  
Rep. Walter McNutt (R)  
Sen. Ryan Zinke (R)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Bill Nooney (R)  
Rep. Jon C. Sesso (D)

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Mark Bruno, OBPP  
Greg DeWitt, Legislative Branch  
Mitzi Grover, Committee Secretary

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

**Department of Revenue**  
**Informational Technology and Processing Department**  
**Property Assessment Division**  
**Business and Income Taxes Division**

00:00:06 Chairman McChesney  
00:01:38 Dave Hunter, Clerk of the House of Representatives

**Department of Revenue**

**Informational Testimony:**

00:02:57 Greg DeWitt, LFD  
00:04:18 Dan Bucks, Director of Revenue  
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00:11:47 Rep. Nooney entered.  
00:23:44 Rep. Nooney left.  
00:24:58 Sen. Zinke left.

**Public Comment:**

00:43:05 Bob Decker, Policy Institute  
00:46:49 Sen. Zinke returned.

**Discussion:**

00:47:30 Sen. Laible  
00:47:58 Mr. Decker  
00:48:49 Sen. Laible  
00:49:13 Mr. Decker  
00:49:47 Sen. Laible

**Public Comment:**

00:50:13 Mr. Decker  
00:50:36 Tom Bilodeau, Montana Education Association, Montana  
Federation of Teachers

**Questions from Committee and Responses:**

00:55:04 Sen. Laible  
00:56:35 Mr. Bucks  
01:00:37 Sen. Laible  
01:01:19 Mr. DeWitt  
01:02:04 Sen. Laible  
01:02:32 Chairman McChesney  
01:03:10 Mr. DeWitt  
01:04:11 Sen. Hansen  
01:04:54 Mr. Bucks  
01:07:53 Sen. Zinke  
01:08:20 Mr. Bucks

01:08:35 Gene Walborn, Administrator of Business and Income Tax  
01:09:43 Sen. Zinke  
01:10:59 Mr. Bucks  
01:18:21 Sen. Zinke  
01:20:03 Mr. Bucks  
  
01:21:57 Recess  
01:34:45 Reconvene

**Informational Technology and Processing Department**

**Informational Testimony:**

01:34:47 Mr. DeWitt  
01:36:47 Mr. Bucks  
01:39:31 Margaret Kauska, Administrator Information Technology  
and Processing Department

**Questions from Committee and Responses:**

01:55:04 Sen. Laible  
01:55:30 Ms. Kauska  
01:56:07 Sen. Laible  
01:56:17 Ms. Kauska  
01:56:47 Sen. Laible  
01:56:54 Ms. Kauska  
01:57:09 Sen. Laible  
01:57:55 Chairman McChesney  
01:58:16 Ms. Kauska  
01:58:56 Chairman McChesney  
01:59:02 Ms. Kauska  
01:59:24 Chairman McChesney  
01:59:41 Ms. Kauska  
02:00:11 Mr. Bucks  
02:01:00 Chairman McChesney  
02:01:10 Mr. Bucks

**Property Assessment Division**

**Informational Testimony:**

02:01:32 Mr. DeWitt  
02:02:46 Randy Wilke, Administrator, Property Assessment  
Division

**Questions from Committee and Responses:**

02:25:58 Chairman McChesney  
02:26:56 Sen. Laible

02:27:23 Mr. Wilke  
02:28:25 Sen. Laible  
02:28:55 Mr. Wilke  
02:30:26 Sen. Laible  
02:30:45 Mr. Wilke  
02:31:05 Sen. Laible  
02:32:19 Mr. Wilke  
02:33:07 Sen. Laible  
02:33:12 Sen. Zinke  
02:34:54 Mr. Wilke  
02:36:06 Sen. Zinke  
02:36:52 Mr. Wilke  
02:39:09 Sen. Zinke

**Business and Income Taxes Division**

**Informational Testimony:**

02:40:44 Mr. DeWitt  
02:43:34 Gene Walborn, Administrator, Business and Income Taxes  
Division  
03:12:58 Chairman McChesney  
03:13:07 Mr. Bucks  
03:13:23 Sen. Laible  
03:13:52 Sen. Zinke  
03:13:58 Adjournment

**ADJOURNMENT**

03:13:58 Adjournment 11:40 A.M.

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Mitzi Grover, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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